

What is claimed is:

- 5 1. An double stranded RNA compound between about 8 and
 80 nucleobases in length targeted to a nucleic acid
 molecule encoding human TNF- α , wherein said compound
 specifically hybridizes with said nucleic acid
 molecule encoding TNF- α and inhibits the expression
 of survivin.
- 10 2. The compound of claim 1 comprising between about 12
 and 50 nucleobases in length.
3. The compound of claim 2 comprising between about 15
 and 30 nucleobases in length.
- 15 4. The compound of claim 1, wherein said compound
 comprises SEQ ID NO:432.
5. The compound of claim 1 wherein the sugar backbone
 is replaced with an amide-containing backbone.
6. The compound of claim 1, wherein said amide-
 containing backbone is an aminoethylglycine
20 backbone.
7. A double stranded RNA compound having SEQ ID NO:
 432.